

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-referenced application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A ladder SAW filter, comprising:
 - a first SAW resonator disposed in a parallel arm;
 - a second SAW resonator disposed in a series arm; and
 - an inductor connected parallel to at least one of said first SAW resonator and said second SAW resonator;wherein frequency of a resonance point or an anti-resonance point of said at least one of the first SAW resonator and the second SAW resonator is adjusted by said inductor to obtain desired filter characteristics.
2. (Original) The ladder SAW filter according to claim 1, comprising a plurality of cascaded units each comprising said first SAW resonator and said second SAW resonator.
3. (Currently amended) The ladder SAW filter according to claim 1, wherein said inductor is connected parallel to said second SAW resonator, the frequency of an anti-resonance point of said second SAW resonator is set substantially in a passband of said filter characteristics of the ladder SAW filter, and the frequency of a resonance point of said second SAW resonator is set on an attenuation peak of said filter characteristics depending on an inductance value of said inductor.

4. (Original) The ladder SAW filter according to claim 3, wherein the frequency of a resonance point of said first SAW resonator is set substantially in the attenuation peak of said filter characteristics, and the frequency of an anti-resonance point of said first SAW resonator is set in the passband of said filter characteristics.
5. (Original) The ladder SAW filter according to claim 4, comprising a plurality of cascaded units each comprising said first SAW resonator and said second SAW resonator.
6. (Currently amended) The ladder SAW filter according to claim 1, wherein said inductor is connected parallel to said first SAW resonator, the frequency of a resonance point of said first SAW resonator is set substantially on an attenuation peak of said filter characteristics of the ladder SAW filter, and the frequency of an anti-resonance point of said first SAW resonator is set in a passband of said filter characteristics depending on an inductance value of said inductor.
7. (Currently amended) ~~[[The]]~~ A ladder SAW filter according to claim 1, comprising:
a first SAW resonator disposed in a parallel arm;
a second SAW resonator disposed in a series arm;
a first inductor connected parallel to at least one of said first SAW resonator and said second SAW resonator, wherein frequency of a resonance point or an anti-resonance point of said at least one of the first SAW resonator and the second SAW resonator is adjusted by said first inductor; and
~~further comprising~~ a second inductor connected in series to the other of said first SAW resonator and said second SAW resonator to which said first inductor is not connected parallel.